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MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Report on Communications - Central Intelligence Agency

1. In conformity with your request, I have made a study of the communications of the Central Intelligence Agency for the purpose of determining:

(a) The place that this activity should be given in the over-all organization of the Central Intelligence Agency.

(b) The duties that the organization now has and whether these duties should be expanded in scope (particularly with respect to such items as research and development).

2. As a result of this study, it is recommended:

(a) That the Division of Communications be given the title of Office of Communications in order that its head may have the necessary prestige to act on a co-equal status with officers charged with similar duties in the Navy, Air Force and Army, and other Government departments.

(b) That the Office of Communications be retained under the Deputy Director (Plans).

(c) That the Office of Communications be given a co-equal status with that of the Office of Special Operations, Office of Policy Coordination, and Office of Operations.

(d) That the head of the Office of Communications be given the title of Assistant Director for Communications.

(e) That the responsibilities of the Office of Communications, particularly with respect to research and development and policy liaison, be enlarged in scope so as to correspond in general with that of the office of the Chief Signal Officer of the Army (See enclosure #2 for details).

3. The reasons supporting these recommendations are included in enclosure #1.

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